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Raghuraman et al.	)	Confirmation No. 5371
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Application N°: 10/782,209	)	Group Art Unit: 1743
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Filed: February 19, 2004	)	Examiner: Gakh, Yelena G
	)	
Title: SPECTROSCOPIC pH MEASUREMENT	)	Docket N°: 60.1564 US NP
USING OPTIMIZED MIXTURES OF REAGENTS	)	
TO EXTEND MEASUREMENT RANGE	)	

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	1	LIN et al., "An Optical pH sensor with a linear response over a broad range." Analytica Chimica Acta 408 (2000) 49-55	<input type="checkbox"/>
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